

Campaign Finance Reform Committee Recommendations

Item	Description	Additional Information	Approved
Voluntary Contribution CAP	Candidates for Mayor	\$20,000	
Voluntary Contribution CAP	Candidates for City Council	\$15,000	
Individual Contributions	All Candidates with CAP	\$500	
Individual Contributions	Candidates that do not agree to CAP	\$250	
CAP Incentive	Ballot Statement at no cost	(Budget source needed; consider charging full fee with reimbursement if CAP is not exceeded)	
CAP Incentive	Star next to name in newspaper/ballot	(Star would need to be explained; bold, larger font, etc.)	
Renege on CAP after agreement	Penalties	Return contributions over \$250, full fee for ballot statement, \$1,000 fine paid to city	
Date to Begin Collecting Contributions	6 months prior to election date	May for November elections	
Date to Stop Collecting Contributions	Election date or 2 weeks prior		
Campaign Committee Closeout	No later than January 31 of the year following the election	(Unused funds disbursed to a Milpitas based non-profit)	
Contributor Information	Needs to include a box for checking off if employee will reimburse the contribution	All donations over \$25 will be reported	
Restriction if project pending before City of Milpitas	No contributions including officers, immediate family, etc.		
Contracts with City of Milpitas	If contract amount is over \$1,000, contributions prohibited for six months prior to election		
District Elections	City would be divided into 4 parts and candidates could only run in the district they live	How to divide? By voters, etc.	
Seat Elections	A candidate would declare which of 4 seats he/she was a candidate		
Independent Expenditure Committees	Limit to no more than \$500 per contributor and a CAP on amount of expenditure	(Additional information needed)	